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To: NCEA, OSA, OSP and the IOAA,

As you will see below, OCIR has asked for one pagers to prepare Gina McCarthy for her upcoming confirmation hearing. I am hoping some of these fact sheets are already developed and that they will just need updating and reformatting. The topics are listed below. I think OCSPP will have the lead for Work Plan Chemicals and the Office of Water will have the lead for Human Health Toxics Criteria. Region 10 will draft the fact sheet for Bristol Bay – but they will share fact sheet with ORD.

Format for the One Pagers: Identification of the Issue; Description of the Issue; Status of the Issue. OCIR will develop the talking points on these.

Deadline: Please send me your one pagers by Noon on Wednesday, March 13th or sooner.

Thank you,

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From: **Moody, Christina**
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Subject: **Prep for upcoming confirmation hearing**
Importance: **High**

Hi David,

I hope you enjoyed your weekend.....

As you know, there are a number of fact sheets that the nominee will need to have as she prepares for her upcoming confirmation hearing. The fact sheets follow the list of hot topics identified by each region last month. Some of these topics may be in the budget database, and can certainly be used as a baseline for development of the issue paper. We are looking for short, concise, one pagers that identify the issue and describes the status.

Here are the Topics:

Hydraulic Fracturing

Chemical Assessment: Human Test Subjects (can probably use the Boxer letter to develop a one pager)

IRIS Risk Assessments of Perchlorate and PBDE's

IRIS Risk Assessment for Platinum Salts

IRIS Risk Assessment for Dioxin

IRIS Risk Assessment for Methanol – info for these two can probably be pulled from the latest

Vitter letter on this issue

Work Plan Chemicals (if ORD but primarily OCSPP)

How EPA Determines Peer Reviewers

Bias of Peer Reviewers

NAS Recommendations for Iris Assessments – there is a fact sheet in the database but this would need to be updated to reflect current trends and status

Human Health Toxics Criteria (is this more appropriately OW?)

Chrome 6

The format should be 1) identification of the issue , 2)description of the issue, and 3) status of the issue. OCIR will develop the talking points on these.

Arvin is asking that programs have these to OCIR by this Wednesday, COB.

I'm also attaching the latest list of hot topics so you can see what has been identified by the Regions. If there are topics on this list that you feel ORD should have the pen on, please let me know.

Let me know if you have questions.

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